

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the following numbered paragraphs in the specification as follows:

**[0007]** Yet another device known in the prior art is a power unit which comprises a longitudinally-split housing internally coaxially accommodating a tubular elastic vessel and two expanding inserts, each of which is disposed ~~e~~ on the side of the parting line of the housing. In addition, the power unit incorporates two holders, each of which is provided with a pipe union intended for delivery of a working medium into the space of the elastic vessel. Each of the ends of the elastic vessel is disposed between the pipe union and the holder. A perforated tubular core is arranged in the space of the elastic vessel along the longitudinal axis thereof. Each end of the perforated tubular core is made in the form of a pipe union. Each of the holders is essentially a sleeve with the internal thread engaged with the external thread of the pipe union. Thus the holders are rigidly connected with each other through the medium of the perforated core. The holders are intended for sealing the ends of the elastic vessel. When the working medium is delivered under pressure into the inter space of the elastic vessel, the housing portions are expanded, thus expanding both the elastic vessel and the expanding inserts.

**[0035]** The plunger ~~36~~ 38 is surrounded by a plurality, in this embodiment, four, spools 50. Each spool 50 is a longitudinally-extending segment 52 of a hollow cylinder. Thus, each spool 50 includes an outer curved partial, cylindrical outer face 54, and a inner, curved, partial cylindrical inner face 56. The four outer faces 54 together constitute a broken cylindrical outer face 58, which is spaced from the inner cylindrical face 60 of the outer casing ~~38~~ 16.

**[0036]** The upper end of each spool 50 includes an inner, converging, preferably partial frusto-conical, face 62, which is configured to be in slidable contact with diverging, preferably frusto-conical, portion 44 of plunger ~~36~~ 38.

**[0038]** Each spool 50 is provided with an attached, replaceable, hardened insert 90. Each such insert 90 is an elongated plate 92, having a flat, inner,

longitudinally-extending end 94, and an outwardly-curved, outer, longitudinally-extending end 96. Each such hardened insert 90 is secured by its flat, inner, longitudinally-extending end 96 to its associated spool 50 by means of an upper screw 98 and a lower screw 100, which are inserted through respective bore holes 102, 104, with their outer ends ~~92~~ flush with the outer face of the ~~lower cylinder 28~~ outer casing 16.

**[0040]** The bottom of the outer casing ~~38~~ 16 is closed by a bottom circular plate 72, which is secured to the outer casing ~~38~~ 16 by a plurality of screws 74. As further shown in FIGS. 2A, those screws 74 may include an enlarged head, 76, which is set into counterbore 78 in plate 72.

**[0042]** Surface 82 is configured to be in slidable contact with face 64 of spool 50, while surface 84 is configured to be in slidable contact with pointed end 48 of plunger ~~36~~ 38.

**[0043]** In operation, to go from the retraction orientation shown in FIG. 1, FIG. 2 and FIG. 3 to the extended orientation shown in FIG. 4 and FIG. 5, hydraulic fluid is pumped under pressure into main hollow cylindrical tube 12 through access aperture 22. Such hydraulic fluid applies pressure to the upper face 30 of combined lower cylinder 28/plunger ~~36~~ 38, which causes plunger 36 to be depressed. This results in sliding action between the upper surface 44 and all the partial frusto-conical surface 62 to urge the four unitary spools 50/hardened insert 90 radially-outwardly against the reaction of the compression springs 110. This results in the extended position of spools 50/hardened insert 90 shown in FIG. 4 and FIG. 5.